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SUBJECT:PROPOSED VISIT TO MADAGASCAR BY ERDA OFFICIALS

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1. MALAGASY ACADEMY HELD PUBLIC MEETING JAN 20 AT WHICH DR. RAOELINA ANDRIAMBOLOLONA, HEAD OF UNIVERSITY OF MADAGASCAR PHYSICS DEPT. AND AUTHOR OF NUMEROUS PAPERS ON THEORETICAL PHYSICS, MADE PRESENTATION ON POSSIBLE EXISTENCE OF NATURALLY OCCURRING SUPER-HEAVY ELEMENTS IN MADAGASCAR. HE MENTIONED WORK OF GENTRY AND PEREY AMONG OTHERS. LOCAL PRESS PUBLISHED TWO ARTICLES ON MEETING--ONE WITH PHOTO OF DR. ANDRIAMBOLOLONA, THE OTHER WITH DETAILED SUMMARY OF HIS TALK. (ARTICLES BEING POUCHED TO AF/E FOR TRANSMITTAL TO DRS. GENTRY AND PEREY.) HE IS SCHEDULED TO GIVE RADIO INTERVIEW ON SAME SUBJECT NEX WEEK.

2. DR. ANDRIAMBOLOLONA TOLD EMBASSY SCIENCE OFFICER JAN 27 THAT MINISTRY OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH HAS CONTACTED HIM ABOUT PROPOSED VISIT (REFTELS) SINCE HE IS OBVIOUS PERSON TO WORK ON ANY JOINT VENTURE THAT MIGHT DEVELOP FROM VISIT. FURTHERMORE, HE SAID ONE OF HIS REASONS FOR PRESENTING TALK WAS TO TRY TO INFLUENCE MINISTRY OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH TO ACT FAVORABLY ON REQUEST BY GENTRY AND PEREY TO COME TO MADAGASCAR TO COLLECT SAMPLES.
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3. EMBASSY HAS LEARNED THAT ITS DEC 15 DIPLOMATIC NOTE REQUESTING PERMISSION FOR GENTRY AND PEREY'S VISIT HAS RECEIVED FAVORABLE RESPONSE FROM MINISTRY OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, AND THAT DETAILS OF COOPERATIVE ASPECTS OF PROJECT ARE RECEIVING THE MOST ATTENTION NOW.

4. SEC-GEN OF MINISTRY RECENTLY TOLD SCIENCE OFFICER
THAT MALAGASY OFFICIALS ARE IN PROCESS OF REVISING
POLICY ON ADMISSION OF FOREIGN SCIENTISTS FOR RESEARCH
PURPOSES. HE ADDED THAT NEW REGULATIONS, SCHEDULED
TO BE PUBLISHED SOON, WILL INSIST ON COOPERATION BETWEEN
FOREIGN AND MALAGASY INSTITUTIONS ON ANY PROJECT PROPOSED
BY FOREIGN SCIENTISTS.SHEINBAUM

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